

H() WRAPPER

`h() wrapper`

VIRTUAL-HYPERSCRIPT

A DSL for creating virtual trees

MANY IMPLEMENTATIONS

- Ours: <https://gist.github.com/whiteinge/02a4868ff91aeacf3b99>
- react-hyperscript: <https://github.com/mlmorg/react-hyperscript>
- r-dom: <https://github.com/uber/r-dom>
- Or, maybe: `var h = React.createElement.bind(React);`

COMPARE AND CONTRAST W/ JSX

```
return (  
  <ul>  
    <li>foo</li>  
    <li>bar</li>  
  </ul>  
);
```

// vs

```
return (  
  h('ul', [  
    h('li', 'foo'),  
    h('li', 'bar'),  
  ])  
);
```

REACT.CREATEELEMENT()

```
// React.createElement('element', {attributes}, [children]);

React.createElement('ul', {
  className: 'someclass',
}, [
  React.createElement('li', null, ['foo']),
]);
```

H() IS A SHORTCUT

```
React.createElement('ul', {  
  className: 'someclass',  
}, [  
  React.createElement('li', null, ['foo']),  
]);
```

// vs.

```
h('ul.someclass', [  
  h('li', 'foo'),  
]);
```

INDENT `h()` EXACTLY LIKE WITH HTML

```
<div>
  <ul>
    <li>foo</li>
    <li>bar</li>
  </ul>
  <p>Para Stuff</p>
</div>
```

// and

```
h('div', [
  h('ul', [
    h('li', 'foo'),
    h('li', 'bar'),
  ]),
  h('p', 'Para stuff'),
]);
```

ADD ID AND CLASS INLINE

```
<div id="foo" class="bar">Foo</div>
```

```
// vs.
```

```
h('div#foo.bar', 'Foo');
```


USE CUSTOM HTML ATTRIBUTES LIKE WITH HTML

```
<div
    foo="Foo"
    bar="Bar"
    baz="Baz"
>
    Content here.
</div>

// and

h('div', {
    foo: 'Foo',
    bar: 'Bar',
    baz: 'Baz',
},
'Content here.');
```

BUT `h()` IS JAVASCRIPT

```
h('ul', arrayOfStuff.map(x => h('li', x)));

// and

h('table.ss-table', [
  h('thead',
    h('tr', visibleGrains.map(x =>
      h('th.search-header', searchHeader(x))))),

  h('tbody', grains.map(mgrains =>
    h('tr', mgrains.map(gval =>
      h('td', gval))))),
]);
```

USE JAVASCRIPT VARIABLES WITH `h()`

```
var color = 'red';  
  
h('p', {  
  className: color,  
}, 'I am red.');
```

Watch out for JavaScript reserved words.

USE `h()` WITH REACT COMPONENTS

```
import {MyComponent} from './components';
```

```
h(MyComponent, {props: 'here'});
```

COMPONENTS

- Complex.
- Verbose.
- Stateful.
- Great for encapsulating *private* state or making advanced use of lifecycle methods.

COMPONENTS

```
// Creation
var MyComponent = React.createClass({
  propTypes: {
    ...,
  },
  function lifecycleStuffs() {
    ...,
  },
  function someHelperMethod() {
    ...,
  },
  function render() {
    return h('p', 'stuff');
  },
});
```

STATELESS FUNCTIONAL COMPONENTS

```
var MyComponent = function(props) {  
  return h('p', 'A component!');  
};
```

```
h(MyComponent);
```

AND DON'T OVERLOOK THE HUMBLE FUNCTION

```
var assembleAWhole = function(part1, part2) {  
  return h('div', [  
    part1,  
    part2,  
  ]);  
};
```

```
// example
```

```
var foo = h('p', 'foo');  
var bar = h('p', 'bar');  
var vtreeMarkup = assembleAWhole(foo, bar);
```


ESCALATE TO MORE COMPLEXITY AS NEEDED

- Do you need to...
 - Output straightforward, possibly nested markup? `h()`
 - Combine different bits of markup, possibly dynamically? `function`
 - Want a reusable HTML element? `Stateless function component`
 - Want to abstract away complicated markup behind a callable interface? `Stateless function component, Or function.`
 - Need internal state tracking or lifecycle hooks? `component`